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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6777**

**BILL NUMBER:** HB 1203

**NOTE PREPARED:** Jan 7, 2013

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Charter School Board Hearings.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Rep. GiaQuinta

**BILL STATUS:** As Introduced

**FIRST SPONSOR:**

**FUNDS AFFECTED:**     **GENERAL**  
                              **DEDICATED**  
                              **FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** Local

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill provides that if a charter school organizer amends a proposal for establishing a charter school and the amendment would change the location of the charter school to a different school corporation, the sponsor, before granting a charter, must conduct a public hearing to provide the governing body of the school corporation in which the charter school would be located under the amended proposal an opportunity to comment. It provides that if an organizer appeals to the charter school review panel (panel) and proposes amending the organizer's proposal to change the location of the charter school to a different school corporation, the panel, before approving the proposal, must conduct a public hearing to provide the governing body of the school corporation in which the charter school would be located under the amended proposal an opportunity to comment.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2013.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:**

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** Under current law, before issuing a charter, the sponsor must conduct a public hearing to give the school corporation in which the proposed charter school will be located an opportunity to comment.

This bill directs that a similar procedure be followed when an organizer amends an application (either due to a rejection by the sponsor or the charter school review panel) and proposes to establish a charter school in a different school corporation from the one in the original application. Either the sponsor or the charter review

panel, as applicable, would have to hold a hearing to enable the governing body of the corporation in question to comment on the proposal.

The fiscal impact would depend upon whether the school corporation would voice such strenuous objections so as to cause the sponsor or review panel to reconsider locating a charter school there.

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:**

**Local Agencies Affected:** School Corporations; Charter school sponsors

**Information Sources:**

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